# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NEW YORK,<sup>1</sup>

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Civ. Action No. 23 Civ. 5751

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# MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF JOINT PETITION TO FIX VENUE FOR CLAIMS RELATED TO THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE'S BANKRUPTCY UNDER 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(5) AND 1334(b)

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The Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York (the "<u>Debtor</u>" or "<u>DRVC</u>") and its affiliated parishes, schools, and other organizations ("<u>DRVC Related Parties</u>") petition (the "<u>Joint Petition</u>") for an order pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(5) and 1334(b) fixing venue in this Court for personal injury claims identified in **Schedule 1** to this Joint Petition.<sup>2</sup>

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties are defendants in numerous lawsuits alleging acts of sexual abuse and related misconduct occurring decades ago. These lawsuits were filed in the wake of the New York State Legislature's enactment of the Child Victims Act (the "CVA").<sup>3</sup> The CVA created a window for alleged victims of childhood sexual abuse to bring civil actions previously barred by the statute of limitations. The CVA created a two-year period to commence otherwise time-barred actions. By the closing of that window on August 14, 2021, the DRVC and/or the DRVC Related Parties had been named as defendants in more than 500 CVA lawsuits.

The DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties are steadfast in their commitment to provide equitable compensation to abuse claimants. Because the DRVC could not continue to address abuse litigation in the New York State tort system on a case-by-case basis, the DRVC filed its chapter 11 case on October 1, 2020. The goal of the DRVC's bankruptcy is to achieve the dual objectives of (1) timely and equitably compensating claimants in an orderly process; and (2) ensuring the DRVC emerges from bankruptcy able to continue its vital charitable mission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Schedule 1 to this Join Petition is current as of July 4, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> On May 24, 2022, New York Governor Kathy Hochul signed the Adult Survivors Act (S.66A/A.648A) (the "ASA"). While the CVA had revived certain claims based on allegations of sexual abuse of a minor, the ASA revived claims resulting from sexual offenses against individuals that occurred when the person was 18 years of age or older and allowed such persons to sue on account of such claims, regardless of prior limitations periods. Like the CVA, the ASA opened a lookback window for individuals to bring suit on account of such revived claims—specifically, the ASA allows individuals to commence claims, not earlier than six months after (November 24, 2022), and not later than one year and six months after (November 24, 2023), the effective date of the ASA (May 24, 2022). N.Y. C.P.L.R. 214-g (McKinney).

The filing of the DRVC's chapter 11 petition automatically stayed all CVA actions in which the DRVC was named as a defendant. Because of the close relationship between the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties, the overlapping issues in litigation involving the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties, and the potential impact on the DRVC's shared insurance program, the DRVC also sought a preliminary injunction of CVA litigation against the DRVC Related Parties (the "State Court Actions"). After several weeks of negotiations, the DRVC and the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") agreed to a consensual preliminary injunction of the State Court Actions (the "PI"). As part of this agreement, the DRVC committed to make certain disclosures to the Committee, and to provide the Committee with all discovery that would have been available had the underlying State Court Actions continued. The PI was subsequently extended by consent several times, on substantially the same terms. As a result, until recently, the State Court Actions had been consensually stayed since October 20, 2020.

In January 2023, the Committee withdrew its consent to further extension of the PI. The Bankruptcy Court thereafter set a hearing on the DRVC's Motion for a Preliminary Injunction ("the <u>PI Motion</u>"), for April 19-20, 2023. On June 1, 2023, the Bankruptcy Court denied the DRVC's motion to continue the stay of the State Court Actions, terminating the PI effective June 16, 2023. *See In re Roman Catholic Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York*, \_\_\_\_ B.R. \_\_\_\_, 2023 WL 3750442 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. June 1, 2023) ("<u>DRVC</u>"). The PI has now been dissolved, and the State Court Actions are permitted to proceed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Bankruptcy Court entered the PI on November 4, 2020. Adv. Pro. No. 20-01226, Dkt. No. 36 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.). It was extended by the Court four times, carrying the stay through March 31, 2021. *Id.*, Dkt. Nos. 44, 46, 53, and 59. Thereafter, the PI was extended numerous times by stipulation and agreed order of the parties through October 28, 2022. *Id.*, Dkt. Nos. 69, 88, 98, 105, 112, 120, and 138. The final such stipulation and agreed order extended the PI until such time as the Bankruptcy Court lifted the stay. *See* "Stipulation and Agreed Order Extending the Termination Date of the Preliminary Injunction Staying Continued Prosecution of Certain Lawsuits," ¶ 12. Adv. Pro. No. 20-01226, Dkt. No. 157 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.).

The DRVC now seeks to consolidate all CVA litigation against the DRVC Related Parties in this District, as provided for by 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(5). "Congress enacted section 157(b)(5) to expand the district court's venue-fixing powers with an eye to centralizing the adjudication of a bankruptcy case." *In re Pan Am Corp.*, 16 F.3d 513, 516 (2d Cir. 1994) ("*Pan Am II*"). Its purpose is "to centralize the administration of the [bankruptcy] estate and to eliminate the 'multiplicity of forums for the adjudication of parts of a bankruptcy case." *A.H. Robins Co. v. Piccinin*, 788 F.2d 994, 1011 (4th Cir. 1986) (quoting 130 Cong. Rec. H 7492, June 29, 1984, *reprinted in* 1984 U.S.C.C.A.N. at 579)). Thus, as the Second Circuit has recognized, Section 157(b)(5) reflects Congress's strong policy in favor of adjudicating personal injury cases related to a bankruptcy in the District where the bankruptcy is pending. *See In re Pan Am Corp.*, 950 F.2d 839, 845 (2d Cir. 1991) ("*Pan Am I*").

Although the State Court Actions at issue in this Petition do not name the DRVC as a defendant, *all* of them are related to a proof of claim ("<u>POC</u>") (or, in one case, a scheduled claim) that is pending against the DRVC in its bankruptcy case. These State Court Actions and the POCs are based on the same underlying conduct, the same legal theories, and raise many of the same threshold defenses. Litigation of the State Court Actions and litigation of the POCs are therefore inextricably intertwined and, pursuant to Section 157(b)(5), should be litigated in coordinated fashion in the District where the Diocese's chapter 11 case is pending. Transfer of the State Court actions to this District is therefore appropriate.

#### BACKGROUND<sup>5</sup>

#### A. The Mission and History of the Diocese of Rockville Centre

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In support of this Petition, the Petitioners have submitted the Declaration of Eric Stephens ("<u>Stephens Decl.</u>"), which includes, among other things, true and correct copies of testimony and stipulated charts admitted as part of the trial record for the Debtor's PI Motion.

In 1958, the State of New York established the DRVC as a religious corporation. *See* 1958 N.Y. SESS. LAWS Ch. 70 (1958), § 1. The DRVC is the seat of the Catholic Church on Long Island and is the eighth largest diocese in the United States when measured by the number of baptized Catholics. Stephens Decl., Ex. A ("Moore Decl."), ¶ 14.

There are 135 Parishes within the DRVC's geographic boundary. *Id.* ¶ 15. Each Parish is a separate religious corporation, formed under Article 5 of New York's Religious Corporations Law, N.Y. RELIG. CORP. § 90. *Id.* ¶ 17. Parishes carry out the DRVC's mission and play a central role in the lives of Catholics: administering baptism, education, communion, Mass, confirmation, marriage, bereavement, last rites, funeral services, and grief support. *Id.* ¶ 16.

Certain other affiliated entities of the DRVC, such as Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, are also defendants in the State Court Actions. *Id.* ¶¶ 19–21. Generally, these other affiliates are separate, not-for-profit charitable member corporations with their own board and governance. *Id.* ¶ 19. The parishes and these affiliates are referred to in this Joint Petition as the "DRVC Related Parties."

#### B. History and Structure of the DRVC's Shared Insurance Program

The DRVC maintains a broad insurance program. Specifically, the DRVC purchased and continues to purchase commercial liability insurance ("<u>CLI</u>") primary, umbrella, and excess liability insurance policies to protect itself, the DRVC Related Parties, and various other entities from a series of risks. *See* Stephens Decl., Ex. D (the "<u>Porter Direct</u>"). These CLI policies provide substantial insurance coverage for claims arising out of alleged sexual abuse or sexual

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The Porter Direct was prepared in support of the DRVC's PI Motion, but is included here to illustrate the background of this case. The Bankruptcy Court entered the Porter Direct into evidence, and Mr. Porter was cross-examined on his testimony at a hearing on the merits on April 19, 2023. A transcript of the hearing can be found at Adv. Pro. No. 20-01226, Dkt. No. 200 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.).

misconduct, id. ¶ 3, and are the DRVC's largest and most important source of funding for claims of sexual abuse.<sup>7</sup>

Over the years, the DRVC has purchased insurance policies from different insurance companies. *Id.* ¶ 5. These policies fall into three groups: the Royal years (1957 to 1976); the London Program years (1976 to 1986); and the Ecclesia years (1986 to the present).<sup>8</sup> At all times since 1957, the DRVC's insurance policies have provided coverage both to the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties.<sup>9</sup> *Id.* ¶ 6. As "Named Insureds," the DRVC Related Parties have the same rights as the DRVC to the limits of liability under those insurance policies. *Id.* Thus, the limits of liability are "shared" between the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties. *Id.* Importantly, these shared insurance policy proceeds are paid on a first-come, first-served basis. In other words, once the insurance company has satisfied its obligation on a per-claim or aggregate basis for one insured, the insurance policy proceeds will not be available to other insureds. *Id.* ¶ 7.

#### C. History and Current Status of the State Court Actions

The pending State Court Actions allege that the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties are liable for certain personal injury tort claims or, in some instances, statutory claims arising from sexual abuse or misconduct arising out of the victim's involvement or connection with the DRVC. *See* Stephens Decl., Ex. E (the "Moore Direct"), <sup>10</sup> ¶ 6. There are approximately 500 civil actions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> A compendium of the insurance policies may be found as exhibits to two declarations by Mr. Porter filed with the Bankruptcy Court, both titled *Declaration of Kenneth F. Porter in Support of the Debtor's Motion for a Preliminary Injunction Under Sections 362 and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code.* Adv. Pro. No. 20-01226, Dkt. Nos. 6, 129 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.). Exhibit A of each declaration includes a graphical representation of the DRVC's historical insurance coverage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> While this brief and the Porter Direct provide an overview of the DRVC's insurance programs, the language in the insurance policies controls. The DRVC reserves any and all rights with respect to its insurance policies. The DRVC and its advisors have also not yet been able to locate copies of all relevant insurance policies and thus the descriptions provided herein may need to be amended to incorporate any newly-discovered evidence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Certain insurance companies have not agreed to defend certain DRVC Related Parties based on missing insurance policy documentation. The DRVC believes there is adequate secondary evidence to establish insurance coverage for the DRVC Related Parties, and has reserved all rights with respect to such coverage disputes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> As with the Porter Direct, the Moore Direct was prepared in support of the DRVC's PI Motion and is included here to illustrate the background of this case. The Bankruptcy Court entered the Moore Direct into evidence,

under the CVA pending against the DRVC and/or the DRVC Related Parties. *Id.* The DRVC is not a named defendant in approximately half of these cases. *See* Stephens Decl., Ex. B ("Agreed Coverage Summary"). However, in all State Court Actions—even those where the DRVC is not a named defendant—the plaintiff is nonetheless also seeking a recovery on its claims from the DRVC's estate through a POC or related litigation against the DRVC. *Id.* Although the State Court Actions vary in their procedural posture, none are close to trial. Moore Direct. ¶ 6. All are either at the pleading, the motion practice or early discovery phase. *Id.* 

Historically, claims against the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties have, with very limited exception, been litigated and administered by the DRVC in close coordination with the DRVC Related Parties. *Id.* ¶ 3. This approach is due to the relationship between the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties, and the fact that many of the key allegations made by plaintiffs in such cases are substantially directed at the DRVC. *Id.* Consistent with past practice, the DRVC must coordinate many aspects of the litigation with the DRVC Related Parties, including responses to discovery requests. *Id.* ¶ 5. Indeed, the majority of such requests are ultimately directed at the DRVC because the DRVC maintains most of the responsive documents. *Id.* 

#### D. The PI Motion and Order Denying The Motion

Because the DRVC could not continue to defend hundreds of lawsuits in the state tort system, it filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on October 1, 2020. As noted, the DRVC also filed a motion seeking to preliminarily enjoin CVA litigation against the DRVC Related Parties because this litigation necessarily impacted the DRVC and threatened its shared insurance. After a few weeks of negotiations, the DRVC and the Committee agreed to a consensual interim preliminary injunction of the State Court Actions on November 4, 2020. *See* Adv. Pro. No. 20-01226, Dkt. No. 36 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.); *id.* Dkt. Nos. 44, 46, 53. The parties then agreed to a

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longer-term preliminary injunction on January 22, 2021. *Id.* Dkt. No. 59. This PI was subsequently extended by consent several times, on substantially the same terms, until it ultimately terminated on June 16, 2023.<sup>11</sup>

As part of the agreement embodied in the consensual PI, the DRVC committed to make certain disclosures to the Committee, and to provide the Committee with all discovery that would have been available to claimants had the underlying State Court Actions continued. *See* Stephens Decl., Ex. C ("Stephens Direct"), ¶ 10; Adv. Pro. Case No. 20-01226, Dkt. No. 59 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.). The DRVC provided an enormous amount of information to the Committee on this basis, and ultimately concluded its production on May 31, 2022. *See* Stephens Direct ¶ 26.

On January 14, 2023, the Committee filed a notice withdrawing its consent to the continuation of the consensual PI with respect to 223 State Court Actions in which the DRVC was not a defendant. Adv. Pro. Case No. 20-01226, Dkt. No. 166 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.). The PI has continued, with no objection from the Committee, with respect to State Court Actions in which the DRVC is a defendant and State Court Actions that implicate the Debtor's Ecclesia insurance program. See DRVC, 2023 WL 3750442, at \*6. Such cases are also automatically stayed by Bankruptcy Code Section 362(a)(1), which stays all litigation against a debtor, and/or Section 362(a)(3), which protects estate assets like the limited aggregate proceeds of the Ecclesia policies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See id., Dkt. Nos. 69, 88, 98, 105, 112, 120, 138, 157.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> As with the Porter Direct and the Moore Direct, the Stephens Direct was prepared in support of the DRVC's PI Motion and is included here to illustrate the background of this case. The Bankruptcy Court entered the Stephens Direct into evidence, and Mr. Stephens was cross-examined on his testimony at a hearing on the merits on April 19, 2023. A transcript of the hearing can be found at Adv. Pro. No. 20-01226, Dkt. No. 200 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The parties originally contested the continuation of the PI with respect to 228 State Court Actions. However, during the litigation, the DRVC determined that 5 of these State Court Actions did not correspond to a POC or claim against the DRVC's estate, and therefore agreed not to seek a PI of such actions. *See* Stephens Decl., Ex. G ("<u>Letter to Bankruptcy Court</u>"). As a result, the 223 State Court Actions that are the subject of this petition are all related to a POC (or, in one case, a scheduled claim) against the DRVC's estate.

The Bankruptcy Court set a hearing on the DRVC's PI Motion for April 19-20, 2023 (the "PI Hearing"). In its briefs and at the hearing, the DRVC argued that a continued PI was necessary because, among other things, the State Court Actions at issue and the POCs submitted by the same plaintiffs are inextricably intertwined. Specifically, the DRVC argued that continued litigation will impact the DRVC's shared insurance, creates risks of collateral estoppel and inconsistent judgments, and will distract the DRVC from its reorganization efforts. The DRVC also noted that, if the Bankruptcy Court determined that the PI should not be extended any longer, the DRVC would likely file a motion in this Court under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(5) to transfer all pending cases to this District.

The Bankruptcy Court ultimately denied the DRVC's PI Motion on June 1, 2023, terminating the PI effective June 16, 2023. *See id.* at \*1. As a result, the 223 State Court Actions that were the subject of the contested PI hearing (and that are the subject of this Petition) are no longer stayed and are beginning to move forward. In response, the DRVC Related Parties have begun filing notices of removal of each of these cases. *See* **Schedule 1**. The cases that are the subject of this Petition are thus now, or soon will be, pending in the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern District of New York.

#### **ARGUMENT**

Section 157(b)(5) of Title 28 provides that this Court "shall order that personal injury tort and wrongful death claims . . . be tried in the district court in which the bankruptcy case is pending[.]" As explained below, consolidating the State Court Actions in this Court is appropriate.

#### A. Section 157(b)(5) Expresses Congress's Strong Policy to Consolidate Mass Tort Cases Related to a Bankruptcy Case

"A bankrupt debtor who is a defendant in a personal injury action may move under section 157(b)(5) to transfer the case to one of two venues: (1) the district where the bankruptcy is proceeding; or (2) the district where the claim arose." *Pan Am II*, 16 F.3d at 516 (citing 28 U.S.C.

§ 157(b)(5)). Such a "transfer motion should be made to the district court in the district where the bankruptcy is proceeding." *Id.* When considering such a motion, "the presumption is that '[t]ransfer should be the rule, abstention the exception." *Id.* (quoting *Pan Am I*, 950 F.2d at 845).

As the Second Circuit has recognized, Section 157(b)(5) reflects Congress's determination that personal injury claims related to a bankruptcy case are best resolved in a coordinated fashion in the District where the bankruptcy case is pending. *See id.* That is, "Congress enacted section 157(b)(5) to expand the district court's venue-fixing powers with an eye to centralizing the adjudication of a bankruptcy case." *Id.* Thus, the purpose of § 157(b)(5) is "to centralize the administration of the [bankruptcy] estate and to eliminate the 'multiplicity of forums for the adjudication of parts of a bankruptcy case." *A.H. Robins*, 788 F.2d at 1011 (quoting 130 Cong. Rec. H 7492, June 29, 1984, *reprinted in* 1984 U.S.C.C.A.N. at 579). Such an approach "increases the debtor's odds of developing a reasonable plan of reorganization which will 'work a rehabilitation of the debtor and at the same time assure fair and non-preferential resolution of the ... claims." *In re Dow Corning Corp.*, 86 F.3d 482, 496 (6th Cir. 1996) ("*Dow P*") (quoting *A.H. Robins*, 788 F.2d at 1011).

For the same reason, courts have also recognized that "Section 157(b)(5) allows for the transfer of personal injury and wrongful death claims pending against *non-debtor defendants* who have been sued with a debtor under claims of joint and several liability." *Id.* (emphasis added). Indeed, consolidating mass tort cases against non-debtors that are related to a bankruptcy case in the District where the bankruptcy is pending is well established.

For example, in *A.H. Robins*, the Fourth Circuit affirmed an order centralizing thousands of state and federal personal injury cases against debtors and non-debtor co-defendants in the District Court where the bankruptcy case was pending. 788 F.2d at 1010–14. Ruling that the power of the District Court to fix venue was "stated in unmistakable terms in section 157(b)(5),"

the Fourth Circuit reasoned that this procedure provides "great benefits" and allows the stakeholders to avoid "stupendous costs":

It is impossible to anticipate the stupendous costs that would be involved if all the claims here had to be tried. If the claimants as a whole are to realize reasonable compensation for their claims, it is obviously in the interest of the class of claimants as a whole to obviate the tremendous expense of trying these cases separately. If the bankruptcy court could arrive at a fair estimation of the value of all the claims and submit a fair plan of reorganization based on such estimation, with some mechanism for dispute resolution and acceptable to all interested parties, great benefit to all the claimants could be achieved and the excessive expense of innumerable trials, stretching over an interminable time, could be avoided. In addition, the real purpose of the proceedings (*i.e.*, a reorganization of the debtor and its continuance as a going business) could be attained.

*Id.* at 1013 (footnote omitted). The Court explained that these objectives could not be realized until "all Dalkon Shield claims and suits [were] centralized before a single forum where all interests [could] be heard and in which the interests of all claimants with one another [could] be harmonized." *Id.* at 1014. As a result, the Fourth Circuit affirmed the order transferring venue, determining that it was "conducive of the interests of all concerned." *Id.* 

Similarly, in *Dow I*, the Sixth Circuit affirmed the transfer of thousands of mass tort cases pending against the debtor and non-debtors to the bankruptcy case home forum. 86 F.3d at 497. The Sixth Circuit adopted the reasoning of *A.H. Robins*, explaining that "Section 157(b)(5) should be read to allow a district court to fix venue for cases pending against nondebtor defendants which are 'related to' a debtor's bankruptcy proceedings pursuant to Section 1334(b)." *Id.* According to the Sixth Circuit, "[t]his approach will further the prompt, fair, and complete resolution of all claims 'related to' bankruptcy proceedings, and harmonize Section 1334(b)'s broad jurisdictional grant with the oft-stated goal of centralizing the administration of a bankruptcy estate." *Id.*; *see also In re Montreal Maine & Atl. Ry., Ltd.*, 2014 WL 1155419, at \*5, 9–10, 12 (D. Me. Mar. 21, 2014) (allowing § 157(b)(5) transfer of product liability claims against non-debtors and finding "related to" jurisdiction based on shared insurance and right to indemnification from debtor).

#### **B.** Consolidation of the State Court Actions in this District Is Appropriate

Consistent with the strong congressional policy discussed above, the Court should order transfer of the State Court Actions, for several reasons.

First, the State Court Actions are fundamentally inseparable from the POCs filed by the plaintiffs against the DRVC's estate. Indeed, every one of the State Court Actions at issue in this Joint Petition corresponds with a POC or scheduled claim filed against the DRVC. See Stephens Decl., Ex. B (Agreed Coverage Summary) (identifying POC numbers for each State Court Action); Stephens Decl., Ex. G (Letter to Bankruptcy Court) (identifying POC numbers missing from Agreed Coverage Summary). In other words, the same plaintiffs who are seeking a recovery from the DRVC Related Parties in the State Court Actions are also seeking recovery from the DRVC's estate in the chapter 11 case. Moreover, the claims asserted against the DRVC Related Parties in the State Court Actions and the POCs asserted against the DRVC's estate are based on the same underlying conduct and the same theories of liability. 14 This is why, before the DRVC filed its chapter 11 case (which gave rise to an automatic stay of litigation against the Debtor), all but a handful of the State Court Actions named the DRVC as a defendant. The State Court Actions subject to this Petition are different only in that nearly all were filed after the chapter 11 case, and thus did not name the DRVC as a defendant. But that change in caption is not a change in substance. Simply put, the State Court Actions and the POCs are inextricably intertwined. They are based on the same facts and legal theories, the resolution of one is bound to have an impact on the other, and they should be adjudicated, as much as possible, in a coordinated fashion in one forum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court, the POCs are confidential. However, the similarity of the claims asserted against the DRVC and the claims asserted against the DRVC Related Parties can be seen by examining the State Court Actions filed against the DRVC before the chapter 11 case was filed. For example, Exhibit F-1 is an illustrative complaint filed against the DRVC and a DRVC Related Party, and Exhibit F-2 is an illustrative complaint against only a DRVC Related Party after the chapter 11 case was commenced.

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Second, the State Court Actions all involve similar issues that will need to be resolved to determine liability. That is, although the individual fact patterns differ, the legal theories asserted by the Plaintiffs are the same across all of the complaints. Exhibit B to the Stephens Declaration is a stipulated chart between the DRVC and the Committee from the PI litigation that lists the claims asserted in each of the State Court Actions at issue in this Petition. As this chart makes clear, every one of these actions involves claims of negligence, negligent supervision, or related legal theories. These legal theories all raise the same threshold questions of duty, knowledge, and responsibility for the conduct of an individual perpetrator. Moreover, the pleadings in the State Court Actions acknowledge that the DRVC's knowledge and conduct is likely to be at issue in all cases. For example, the Stephens Direct contains a chart as Exhibit A that was admitted as evidence in the PI Hearing and summarizes the paragraphs in each of the State Court Actions that allege control of the DRVC Related Party by the Diocese. And Exhibit B to the Stephens Direct is a chart also admitted as evidence in the PI Hearing that summarizes allegations and counterclaims contained in answers submitted by the DRVC Related Parties in the cases filed before the chapter 11 case began. As a review of these materials show, the claims alleged, the allegations of control, and the allegations regarding the DRVC's responsibility are closely related across the State Court Actions. Consolidation for coordinated resolution of these overlapping and related issues is appropriate.

Third, because of the overlap between and among the State Court Actions and the POCs, consolidating this litigation in the District where the chapter 11 case is pending will best achieve Congress's goal of an efficient and focused reorganization process. None of these cases are close to trial; they are all in either the motion practice or early discovery phase. As this Court has recognized, if "motion practice and discovery . . . proceed separately[,]" the "litigation that would ensue in the various fora would be entirely duplicative and wasteful." In re WorldCom, Inc. Sec. Litig., 293 B.R. 308, 333–34 (S.D.N.Y. 2003). On the other hand, transferring the State Court

Actions to this Court will "enhance[] the possibility that the cost of litigation will be limited, to a degree, by opportunities for coordination across the cases pending in a common district." *Canosa v. Ziff*, 2018 WL 3642631, at \*7 (S.D.N.Y. Aug. 1, 2018). Such degree of coordination "may . . . result in singular, rather than multiple, depositions being taken of parties and third-party witnesses relevant to multiple actions." *Id.*; *see also Pan Am I*, 950 F.2d at 845 (emphasizing the "manifest purpose of section 157(b)(5)" as "centraliz[ing] the administration of the estate"); *In re Dow Corning Corp.*, 113 F.3d, 565, 572 (6th Cir. 1997) ("*Dow II*") (concluding the district court's abstention was inappropriate because the debtor's "assets are finite and risk being unnecessarily diminished by the expense of litigating . . . in innumerable jurisdictions").

Here, consolidating the cases in the District Court will allow for closer coordination between the Bankruptcy Court, where the POCs are pending, and the forum in which the related State Court Actions are pending. Such coordination will be particularly important in the context of discovery and pre-trial proceedings, because most of the discovery obligations in the State Court Actions will be borne by the Debtor. *See* Stephens Direct ¶¶ 34–40. This is because (i) the DRVC has historically been the document repository for the parishes; (ii) in the pre-bankruptcy cases, the plaintiffs' document requests were almost exclusively directed toward the DRVC; and (iii) the DRVC collected many of the documents regarding the merits of the State Court Actions during the chapter 11 case. *Id*.

Fourth, allowing the State Court Actions to be litigated in different courts would undermine Congress's goals and interfere with the DRVC's reorganization effort. The DRVC is well underway toward adjudicating the POCs. Out of a total of approximately 749 POCs filed in the DRVC's chapter 11 case, approximately 125 POCs have been disallowed or withdrawn, approximately 65 POCs have been disallowed with leave to amend, and another approximately 60 objections to POCs are under advisement. The DRVC is also continuing to analyze POCs filed in its chapter 11 case and expects to make additional claim objections in the near term. Parallel

litigation in the Bankruptcy Court regarding POCs and the state courts regarding the same facts and legal claims would not only give rise to inefficiencies and duplication of effort but raise the real possibility of inconsistent judgments and piecemeal litigation. Determinations by one court with respect to issues pending in the other court could also potentially be asserted by the prevailing party to be *res judicata*, creating uncertainty and fostering conflict between the Bankruptcy Court and the state courts. Duplicative litigation also threatens to increase the costs of litigation, which, given the shared insurance limits between the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties, could reduce funds available to compensate claimants through the DRVC's chapter 11 plan. *See Dow II*, 113 F.3d at 571 (highlighting that the debtors and non-debtor co-defendants share joint insurance coverage in evaluating the district court's permissive abstention analysis).

Finally, there is no reason for the Court to abstain from consolidating the cases in this Court. As the Second Circuit has recognized, "courts should not be too quick to abstain from exercising their transfer powers" because Congress expressed a preference that "[t]ransfer should be the rule, abstention the exception." Pan Am I, 950 F.2d at 845; see also Cnty. of Allegheny v. Frank Mashuda Co., 360 U.S. 185, 188–89 (1959) (describing abstention as an "extraordinary and narrow exception" to federal court's duty to exercise jurisdiction); In re Albion Disposal, Inc., 217 B.R. 394, 411 (W.D.N.Y. 1997) (same). Here, as explained above, declining to transfer these cases would ensure duplicative proceedings with the Bankruptcy Court and each individual State Court Action, thereby undermining the efficiency and fairness goals of Section 157(b)(5).

#### C. This Court Has Jurisdiction Over the State Court Actions

Lastly, transfer pursuant to Section 157(b)(5) is appropriate because this Court has "related to" jurisdiction over the State Court Actions. This Court has broad jurisdiction over any and all cases "arising in or related to cases under title 11." 28 U.S.C. § 1334(b). "Congress intended to grant comprehensive jurisdiction to the bankruptcy courts so that they might deal efficiently and expeditiously with all matters connected with the bankruptcy estate." *Celotex Corp. v. Edwards*,

514 U.S. 300, 308 (1995) (quotation omitted). The Second Circuit has interpreted this jurisdictional grant to encompass all litigation that "could conceivably have any effect upon the [debtors'] estate being administered." *In re Robert Plan Corp.*, 777 F.3d 594, 597 (2d Cir. 2015) (quoting *In re Turner*, 724 F.2d 338, 341 (2d Cir. 1983)). In determining whether a case "relates to" a bankruptcy, "[c]ertainty, or even likelihood, is not a requirement." *In re Marcus Hook Dev. Park, Inc.*, 943 F.2d 261, 264 (3d Cir. 1991). Instead, jurisdiction exists "so long as it is possible that a proceeding may [have an] impact on the debtor's rights, liabilities, options, or freedom of action" or the "handling and administration of the bankruptcy estate." *Id.* (quotation omitted).

The Second Circuit has found "related to" jurisdiction based on "strong interconnections between the third party action and the bankruptcy." *SPV Osus Ltd. v. UBS AG*, 882 F.3d 333, 343 (2d Cir. 2018) (quotation omitted). Jurisdiction exists if it is "possible"—even if "improbable"—that a non-debtor could eventually file successful "claims . . . against the debtor for either indemnification or contribution." *Id.* at 340, 342. Similarly, in *Dow I*, the Sixth Circuit found "related to" jurisdiction where a non-debtor defendant and a debtor shared joint-insurance policies subject to "possible depletion." 86 F.3d at 495. And courts have found "related to" jurisdiction where "[t]he outcome of th[e]" case "could conceivably . . . [a]ffect . . . the bankruptcy estate by creating a decision with potential *res judicata* or collateral estoppel effects on certain issues . . . in

<sup>15</sup> See also In re Purdue Pharma. L.P., 619 B.R. 38, 49–50 (S.D.N.Y. 2020), aff'd 69 F.4th 45 (2d Cir. 2023) (finding jurisdiction where "the theories of liability pressed by the [third party plaintiffs] are necessarily interconnected with th[e] Defendants' rights to contribution"); In re Quigley Co., 676 F.3d 45, 58 (2d Cir. 2012) ("[A] suit against a third party . . . that . . . poses the specter of direct impact on the res of the bankrupt estate may just as surely impair the bankruptcy court's ability to make a fair distribution . . . as a third-party suit alleging derivative liability.").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See also A.H. Robins, 788 F.2d at 1001 (court had "related to" jurisdiction when suit against non-debtor officer insured by joint insurance policy); *In re Zale Corp.*, 62 F.3d 746, 758–59 (5th Cir. 1995) (concluding that, where disputes regarding an insurance policy can have an effect on a debtor's estate, the bankruptcy court has "related to" jurisdiction over non-debtors' claims against the insurer); *In re Titan Energy, Inc.*, 837 F.2d 325, 329 (8th Cir. 1988) (noting that the scope of a products liability insurance policy affects the size of a debtor's estate for distribution).

which the debtor in possession could conceivably have an interest." *Universal Well Servs., Inc. v. Avoco Natural Gas Storage*, 222 B.R. 26, 30 (W.D.N.Y. 1998). <sup>17</sup>

Here, as the Bankruptcy Court's PI decision implicitly recognizes, *see DRVC*, 2023 WL 3750442, at \*36, this Court has "related to" jurisdiction over the State Court Actions because (a) the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties are co-insureds under insurance policies for which they share limited proceeds; (b) there is a reasonable legal basis that the DRVC Related Parties could file claims for indemnification or contribution against the DRVC; and (c) a final judgment in a state court case could subject the DRVC's bankruptcy estate to the preclusive effect of unfavorable judgments. Jurisdiction therefore exists, and consolidation under Section 157(b)(5) is appropriate.

#### **CONCLUSION**

For the reasons above, the Court should grant the DRVC and the DRVC Related Parties' Joint Petition and fix venue in this Court for the State Court Actions, thus enabling an efficient and consolidated adjudication of common issues.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See also In re The 1031 Tax Grp., LLC, 397 B.R. 670, 684 (querying whether parallel suits "would ... expose the debtor to *risks* of collateral estopped or res judicata" (emphasis added; quotation omitted)); In re Calpine Corp., 354 B.R. 45, 50 (granting stay of state court action against surety of debtor when such action created the risk of collateral estoppel).

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# SCHEDULE 1

**State Court Actions** 

(Updated as of July 4, 2023)

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	Index No.	Plaintiff(s)	Defendant(s)	County	District Court	Number (if removed)
1.	400094/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Matthew Roman Catholic Church and Andrew L. Millar	Queens	E.D.N.Y.	
2.	400195/2021	NAME ON FILE	Seton Hall High School; New York Province, Sisters of Charity, Halifax; and Sisters of Charity (Halifax) Supporting Corporation	Queens	E.D.N.Y.	
3.	508122/2021	NAME ON FILE	Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn and St. Dominic Catholic Church	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	
4.	510647/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church at Babylon in the County of Suffolk in the State of New York (d/b/a St. Joseph Catholic School and St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church), Franciscan Brothers, Inc. (d/b/a Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn), and Joseph McComiskey	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	
5.	513586/2020	NAME ON FILE	Diocese of Brooklyn, Camp Alvernia, and Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05038
6.	513592/2020	NAME ON FILE	Diocese of Brooklyn, Camp Alvernia, and Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05037
7.	514064/2021	NAME ON FILE	Diocese of Brooklyn a/k/a The Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, New York; St. Dominic's a/k/a St. Dominic's Roman Catholic Church; and DOES 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	

	Index No.	Plaintiff(s)	Defendant(s)	County	Removal	Federal Docket
8.	514079/2021	NAME ON	Diocese of Brooklyn	Kings	District Court E.D.N.Y.	Number (if removed)
0.	3140/9/2021	FILE	a/k/a The Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, New York; St. Dominic's a/k/a St. Dominic's Roman Catholic Church; and DOES 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Kings	E.D.N. I	
9.	514631/2021	NAME ON FILE	Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, and Church of the Blessed Sacrament - Valley Stream a/k/a Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	
10.	515579/2020	NAME ON FILE	The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York, Order of Friars Minor - Holy Names Province, A/K/A Holy Name Province of Franciscan Friars, St. Francis of Assisi, The Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, New York, Camp Alvernia, Congregation of the Religious Brothers of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis A/K/A The Franciscan Brothers Generalate A/K/A The Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn A/K/A Franciscan Brothers Inc	Kings	E.D.N.Y	
11.	518563/2021	NAME ON FILE	Diocese of Brooklyn a/k/a The Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, New York; St. Raymond's; and DOES 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	
12.	518595/2021	NAME ON FILE	Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn and St. Anthony's High School	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	23-ev-05027
13.	518736/2021	NAME ON FILE	Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn and Church of St. Aidan	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	
14.	519459/2021	NAME ON FILE	Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn and St. Anthony's High School	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05008

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15.	519751/2021	NAME ON	Diocese of Brooklyn	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	Number (II removed)
15.	31773172021	FILE	a/k/a The Roman	Kings	L.D.IV. I	
		TILL	Catholic Diocese of			
			Brooklyn, New York;			
			Sacred Heart; and DOES			
			1-5 whose identities are			
			unknown to Plaintiff			
16.	520225/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John Nepomucene Church	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05012
17.	520779/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Agnes Cathedral, et. al.	Kings	E.D.N.Y.	
18.	606441/2021	NAME ON	St. Hugh of Lincoln	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
		FILE	Roman Catholic Church,			
			John Doe and Jane Doe,			
			Richard Roe and Jane			
			Roe, priests, clergy and			
			administrators whose			
			names are unknown to the Plaintiff			
19.	610036/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
20.	610228/2021	NAME ON	Church of St. Patrick	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y	
		FILE				
21.	610237/2021	NAME ON	St. Joseph's Catholic	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
22	(10044/0001	FILE	School	G CC 11	EDMA	22 05024
22.	610244/2021	NAME ON	St. John Nepomucene Church and St. John	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05024
		FILE	Nepomucene School			
23.	610245/2021	NAME ON	Saint Joseph Roman	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
23.	010243/2021	FILE	Catholic Church; and	Surroik	L.D.IV. I	
			Franciscan Brothers, Inc.			
			a/k/a Franciscan			
			Brothers of Brooklyn,			
			a/k/a Congregation of			
			the Religious Brothers of			
			the Third Order Regular			
2.4	(10046/2021	NAME ON	of St. Francis St. Patrick's Church a/k/a	Suffolk	EDNY	
24.	610846/2021	FILE	Church of St. Patrick	Sulloik	E.D.N.Y.	
25.	610849/2021	NAME ON	Our Lady of Lourdes	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
25.	01001972021	FILE	Catholic Church	Surroin	E.B.I.V.T.	
26.	610938/2021	NAME ON	Saint Joseph Roman	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
		FILE	Catholic Church; and			
			Franciscan Brothers, Inc.			
			a/k/a Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn,			
			a/k/a Congregation of			
			the Religious Brothers of			
			the Third Order Regular			
			of St. Francis			
27.	611047/2021	NAME ON	St. Patrick's Roman	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
		FILE	Catholic Church; St.			
			Patrick's School; and			
			Sisters of St. Joseph			

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28.	611337/2021	NAME ON FILE	Parish of St. Mary aka St. Mary School aka St. Mary Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	Number (ii removeu)
29.	612520/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Philip Neri Roman Catholic Parish Church, Trinity Regional School f/k/a St. Philip Neri Roman Catholic Parish School, Sisters of Saint Joseph, John Doe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff, Jane Doe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff, Richard Roe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff, Jane Roe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff, Jane Roe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
30.	612686/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church; and St. Patrick's School	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y	
31.	613012/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Sylvester Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
32.	613013/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Anthony of Padua School, Trinity Regional School, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, and The Sisters of Saint Joseph	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
33.	613014/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Frances Cabrini Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
34.	613015/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saint Lawrence The Martyr Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
35.	613213/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saints Cyril and Methodius Roman Catholic Church, Saints Cyril and Methodius School, Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic School, The Sisters of Saint Joseph, and Peter A. Libasci	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	

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36.	613335/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln School, Trinity Regional School, St. Hugh of Lincoln Parish, and Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05020
37.	613730/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Parish; and St. John the Evangelist School	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
38.	613731/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish and Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
39.	613957/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Luke's Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
40.	614160/2020	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y	2:23-cv-04580
41.	614400/2021	NAME ON FILE	Church of the Good Shepherd	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
42.	614401/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Patrick's Church of Smithtown and Anthony Vito Colangelo	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
43.	614919/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Philip Neri School, Trinity Regional School, St. Philip Neri Church and The Sisters of Saint Joseph	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05026
44.	614403/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church Lindenhurst a/k/a Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church of Lindenhurst and Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05003
45.	614404/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Joseph School, St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church, and Atlantic- Midwest Province of the School Sisters of Notre Dame	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05002
46.	614405/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05001
47.	614406/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Mary School, Parish of St. Mary, and Atlantic-Midwest Province of the Schools Sisters of Notre Dame, Inc.	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05000
48.	614442/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Martin of Tours Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	

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49.	614526/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Joseph's Parish	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04999
50.	614751/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04992
51.	614848/2021	NAME ON FILE	Infant Jesus Roman Catholic Church, and Does 1 through 5	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
52.	614911/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John the Evangelist Catholic Parish and St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04991
53.	615121/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saint Isidore School, Saint John Paul II Regional School, Saint Isidore R.C. Church, and Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth- U.S.A. and Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04981
54.	615122/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
55.	615133/2021	NAME ON FILE	Suffolk County Council, Boy Scouts of America and St. Elizabeth Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05029
56.	615134/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John the Evangelist R.C. Church; Roman Catholic Church of St. John the Evangelist; St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05019
57.	615333/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05028
58.	618005/2020	NAME ON FILE	St. Dominic's Roman Catholic Church at Oyster Bay	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	2:23-cv-04831
59.	900001/2021	NAME ON FILE	ST. PATRICK'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, a/k/a ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH AT GLENCOVE, QUEENS COUNTY,	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04704
60.	900010/2021	NAME ON FILE	ST. PIUS X ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH a/k/a ST. PIUS X PARISH	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04711
61.	900011/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Francis Hospital f/k/a St. Francis Hospital & Sanatorium and St. Francis Sanatorium for Cardiac Children, John Doe #1 and John Doe #2	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	2:23-cv-04809

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62.	900024/2021	NAME ON FILE	Roman Catholic Parish of St. Agnes Cathedral, John Doe and Jane Doe, Richard Doe and Jane Roe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
63.	900029/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Mercy Roman Catholic Church, John Doe and Jane Doe, Richard Roe and Jane Roe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04780
64.	900030/2019	NAME ON FILE	Good Samaritan Hospital	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04816
65.	900034/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Family Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-ev-04755
66.	900035/2021	NAME ON FILE	Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04761
67.	900036/2021	NAME ON FILE	Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04759
68.	900037/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05034
69.	900040/2021	NAME ON FILE	USA Northeast Province of the Society of Jesus, Inc; The New York Province of the Society of Jesus; St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church; and St. Ignatius Jesuit Retreat House	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04723
70.	900041/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Name of Mary Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04717
71.	900042/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Ignatius Loyola Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04724
72.	900044/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saint Martha Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04741
73.	900047/2021	NAME ON FILE	The Cathedral of St. Agnes	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04742
74.	900048/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Rose of Lima Catholic School	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04738
75.	900050/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Name of Mary Roman Catholic Church and DOES 1 through 5	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04726
76.	900055/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Martha Roman Catholic Church, St. Mary's Church and The Cathedral of St. Agnes	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	2:23-cv-04748

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77.	900057/2021	NAME ON	St. Mary of the Isle	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	2:23-cv-04750
		FILE	Roman Catholic Church,			
			Father "John" Benedict			
			(First Name Unknown),			
7.0	000050/2021	N	and DOES 1 through 5	N.T.	EDM	22 04544
78.	900058/2021	NAME ON	Holy Family Roman	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04744
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79.	900060/2021	NAME ON	St. Catherine of Sienna	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	2:23-cv-04752
90	900064/2021	FILE NAME ON	Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04756
80.	900004/2021	FILE	St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N. I	23-CV-04/30
81.	900069/2021	NAME ON	Franciscan Brothers of	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
01.	900009/2021	FILE	Brooklyn f/k/a	INassau	E.D.N. 1.	
		TILL	Congregation of the			
			Religious Brothers of the			
			Third Order Regular of			
			St. Francis, St.			
			Anthony's High School,			
			Franciscan Brother Noel			
			Doe (Las Name			
			Unknown), Franciscan			
			Brother Gary Doe (Last			
			Name Unknown), and			
			DOES 1 through 5			
82.	900073/2021	NAME ON	St. Hugh of Lincoln	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
		FILE	Roman Catholic Church			
83.	900079/2021	NAME ON	St. John of God Roman	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
		FILE	Catholic Church a/k/a St.			
			John of God Parish			
84.	900080/2021	NAME ON	Saint Catherine of	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04782
		FILE	Sienna Roman Catholic			
			Church and Province of			
			the Most Sacred Heart of			
			Jesus, Third Order			
			Regular of St. Francis of			
			Penance (D/B/A Franciscan Friars of the			
85.	900081/2021	NAME ON	Third Order Regular) Saint Bernard's Roman	Neggon	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04725
05.	900001/2021	FILE	Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N. I .	23-6v-04/23
86.	900086/2021	NAME ON	Sisters of St. Joseph	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
00.	,00000/2021	FILE	a/k/a The Sisters of Saint	1143544	D.D.11.1.	
		TILL	Joseph a/k/a			
			Congregation of the			
			Sisters of Saint Joseph of			
			Brentwood, NY; St.			
			Anthony of Padua; and			
			Does 1-5 whose			
			identities are unknown to			
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87.	900087/2021	NAME ON FILE	Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn a/k/a Congregation of the Religious Brothers of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis a/k/a and d/b/a Franciscan Brothers, Inc., Brooklyn, NY; St. Aidan's Church a/k/a St. Aidan's; and Does 1 - 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04794
88.	900088/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Spirit; and Does 1 - 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04785
89.	900089/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Agnes Cathedral a/k/a St. Agnes' Cathedral; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04791
90.	900090/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Thomas, the Apostle; and Does 1 - 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	
91.	900091/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Barnabus Apostle; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04786
92.	900092/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Rose of Lima; and Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04799
93.	900093/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Francis of Assisi; and Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
94.	900094/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Family a/k/a Holy Family Diocesan High School; and Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
95.	900095/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Trinity Diocesan High School a/k/a Holy Trinity; and Does 1 - 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04787
96.	900096/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Christopher's Parish a/k/a St. Christopher; Catholic Charities a/k/a Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rockville Centre; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04783

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97.	900097/2021	NAME ON FILE	Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn f/k/a Congregation of the Religious Brothers of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis a/k/a and d/b/a Franciscan Brothers, Inc., Brooklyn, NY; St. Joseph a/k/a St. Joseph's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	T (amber (irremovea)
98.	900099/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Trinity Diocesan High School, and Dominican Convent of Our Lady of the Rosary a/k/a Dominican Sisters of Our Lady of the Rosary	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	2:23-cv-04789
99.	900102/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Bernard's Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
100	900103/2021	NAME ON FILE	Notre Dame Parish, Notre Dame Catholic School, Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic, and Franciscan Brothers	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04916
101	900105/2021	NAME ON FILE	Claretian Missionaries USA-Canada Province and Church of Saint Paul the Apostle	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04840
102.	900110/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saint Martha Roman Catholic Church and St. Martha's Elementary School	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04847
103.	900112/2021	NAME ON FILE	Mary Regina Parish, Mary Regina Roman Catholic Church, and Mary Regina School	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
104	900113/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Raphael Parish	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04843
105	900116/2020	NAME ON FILE	Theodore Roosevelt Council, INC., Boy Scouts of America; Our Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-ev-04780

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100	900116/2021	NAME ON	Theodore Roosevelt	Nassau	District Court E.D.N.Y.	Number (if removed)
106	900110/2021	FILE	Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America; Baldwin Union Free School District; Church of St. Christopher; and	Nassau	E.D.N. I	
			Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff			
107	900122/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04866
108	900123/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Raymond of Penyafort and Congregation of the Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Scranton Pennsylvania, and Congregation of the Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Scranton Pennsylvania PA	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04860
109	900125/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Barnabus the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, Capuchin Franciscans Tertiary Province of St. Mary N.Y. Inc.,; John Doe and Jane Doe, Richard Roe and Jane Roe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04872
110	900126/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. James Parish, St. James Parish School, Sisters of the Holy Cross and Passion, and William R. Logan	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04865
111.	900127/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Barnabus the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, Capuchin Franciscans Tertiary Province of St. Mary N.Y. Inc.,; John Doe and Jane Doe, Richard Roe and Jane Roe, priests, clergy and administrators whose names are unknown to the Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04870

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112	900128/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Lourdes a/k/a Our Lady of Lourdes Church Malverne a/k/a Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Our Lady of Lourdes School, and Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04862
113	900130/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Dominic's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04879
114	900131/2021	NAME ON FILE	Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn a/k/a Congregation of the Religious Brothers of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis d/b/a Franciscan Brothers, Inc., Brooklyn, NY; Camp Alvernia; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
115	900132/2021	NAME ON FILE	The Marist Brothers Province of the United States f/k/a The Marist Brothers Province of Esopus d/b/a Marist Brothers of the Schools, Inc.; St. Mary's; Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04877
116.	900133/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln a/k/a St. Hugh's; Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
117	900134/2021	NAME ON FILE	Theodore Roosevelt Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America; Our Lady of Fatima RC Church a/k/a Our Lady of Fatima; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff,	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04874
118.	900135/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Rose of Lima Parish	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04889
119.	900136/2021	NAME ON FILE	Notre Dame Parish, Notre Dame Catholic School, Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic, Franciscan Brothers Incorporated, and Franciscan Brothers	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04908

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120	900137/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School, St. Brigid School, St. Brigid Parish, School Sisters of Notre Dame in the State of Connecticut, Northeastern Province of the School Sisters of Notre Dame in the State of Connecticut and Atlantic-Midwest Province of the School Sisters of Notre Dame	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04883
121.	900138/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Dominic Elementary School, and St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	2:23-cv-04698
122.	900139/2021	NAME ON FILE	Parish of Saint Raphael and Saint Raphael Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04887
123.	900144/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John the Baptist a/k/a St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
124.	900145/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Raphael a/k/a St. Raphael Parish; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04895
125	900146/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Barnabas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church Parish, St. Barnabas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School (as successor-in-interest to St. Barnabas School)	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04893
126	900147/2021	NAME ON FILE	Dominican Sisters of the Third Order of St. Dominic Congregation of the Holy Cross a/k/a The Sisters of the Order of Saint Dominic; Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary; Sisters of the Cross and Passion, Maria Regina a/k/a Maria Regina Diocesan High School, Uniondale; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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127	900148/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Brigid; Church of Our Lady of Hope; and Does 1-5 whose	Nassau	District Court E.D.N.Y.	Number (if removed) 23-cv-04902
			identities are unknown to Plaintiff			
128	900149/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Dominic's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04905
129.	900150/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Bernard; and Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04906
130	900160/2021	NAME ON FILE	Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church; and Queen of the Most Holy Rosary School	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04919
131.	900166/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Raymond Parish; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04949
132.	900168/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. James Parish,	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04945
133.	900169/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Ignatius of Loyola Roman Catholic Church, St. Ignatius Loyola School and Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04939
134.	900170/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church, Our Holy Redeemer School, and Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04930
135.	900172/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saint Joseph's RC Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
136.	900174/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church, St. Rose of Lima School, and Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04955
137.	900175/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Agnes Roman Catholic Cathedral a/k/a the Cathedral of St. Agnes, St. Agnes Cathedral Scholl and Sisters of the Order St. Dominic	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
138	900302/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Pius X RC Church a/k/a Saint Pius Roman Catholic Parish; Saint Pius X RC School; Sisters of Mercy; and Does 1-5 whose identities are Unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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139	900178/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Brigid's Catholic Church, St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School and Atlantic- Midwest Province of the School Sisters of Notre Dame	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
140	900179/2021	NAME ON FILE	SS. Cyril and Methodius; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-05013
141	900180/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Perpetual Help; St. James; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
142.	900181/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Anthony of Padua; Good Shepherd; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04998
143.	900182/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Victory; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
144.	900183/2021	NAME ON FILE	Montfort Missionaries United States Province a/k/a Montfort Fathers d/b/a Missionaries of the Company of Mary; St. Aloysius a/k/a St. Aloysius; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
145	900187/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Dominic Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
146	615135/2021	NAME ON FILE	Christ the King Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04983
147	900190/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Patrick; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-ev-04997
148	900192/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Peace School, Our Lady of Peace Roman Catholic Church, The Convent of the Sisters of Mercy in Brooklyn and Sisters of Mercy of the Americas of the Mid-Atlantic Community	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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149	900193/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Mary's College Preparatory High School, St. Mary's R.C. Church at Manhasset in Queens Co., and Marist Brothers of the Schools, Inc., a/k/a Marist Brothers United States Province	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
150	900195/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln a/k/a St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church a/k/a St. Hugh's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04994
151.	900196/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
152	900198/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Barnabas the Apostle Roman Catholic Parish; St. Barnabas School; St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School; New York Province, Sisters of Charity, Halifax; Sisters of Charity (Halifax) Supporting Corporation	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
153	900202/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04993
154.	900204/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Martin of Tours School	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
155	900209/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, St. Joseph's Catholic School, and Sisters of Saint Joseph a/k/a Sisters of St. Joseph of Brentwood	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
156.	900210/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Mary's; St. Dominic's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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157.	900212/2021	NAME ON FILE	Church of St. Aidan; St. Aidan School; Franciscan Brothers, Inc. a/k/a Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn a/k/a Congregation of the Religious Brothers of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis; and Sisters of Charity of Halifax Nova Scotia	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
158	900213/2021	NAME ON FILE	Mercy Medical Center and Catholic Health Services of Long Island	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
159.	900220/2021	NAME ON FILE	Mary Immaculate; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
160	900221/2021	NAME ON FILE	Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn a/k/a Congregation of the Religious Brothers of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis a/k/a and d/b/a Franciscan Brothers, Inc., Brooklyn, NY; Infant Jesus; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04977
161	900222/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Thomas, the Apostle; and Does 1 - 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
162	900227/2021	NAME ON FILE	Saint Patrick's Church, All Saints Regional Catholic School, Saint Patrick's School, and Atlantic-Midwest Province of the School Sisters of Notre Dame	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04926
163	900229/2021	NAME ON FILE	Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Our Lady of Loretto; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
164.	900230/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Raphael a/k/a St. Raphael Parish; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
165.	900235/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Brigid; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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166.	900245/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, St. Anthony's School, James Bridget Hanley, and Sisters of Saint Dominic of Blauvelt, New York	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
167	900246/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Agnes Roman Catholic Cathedral	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
168	900262/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Raymond of Penyafort Roman Cathoilic Church, and St. Raymond School	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
169	900265/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Ladislaus Roman Catholic Parish, St. Ladislaus School, Congregation of Sisters of St. Felix of Cantalice Third Order Regular of St. Francis of Assisi, and Our Lady of Hope Province f/k/a Immaculate Heart of Mary Province	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
170	900269/2021	NAME ON FILE	Maria Regina Diocesan High School, and Congregation of the Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Scranton, Pennsylvania	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	
171	900271/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln a/k/a St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church a/k/a St. Hugh's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05005
172	900275/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Gerard Majella; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
173.	900277/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Catherine of Sienna a/k/a St. Catherine of Siena; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
174	610249/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John of God Roman Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05022
175	900289/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Pius X Preparatory Seminary	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
176	900294/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Francis De Sales Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04978
177	900307/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Trinity Diocesan High School	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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178	900041/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Name of Mary Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
179.	900312/2021	NAME ON FILE	Immaculate Conception; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff,	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
180	900313/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hedwig's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	
181	900314/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Joseph's a/k/a St. Joseph; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05007
182.	900344/2021	NAME ON FILE	Catholic Youth Organization a/k/a Catholic Youth Organization of Nassau and Suffolk; Marydale Day Camp; St. Lawrence the Martyr; Our Lady of Lourdes; St. Pius X Preparatory Seminary; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
183	900345/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John of God; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05010
184.	900353/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Mercy Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
185	900357/2021	NAME ON FILE	Roman Catholic Church of SS Cyril and Methodius; Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic School f/k/a SS Cyril and Methodius School and Our Lady of Providence Regional; Sisters of St. Joseph; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
186	900358/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Family Roman Catholic Church; Holy Family Roman Catholic Parish; Holy Family School; Dominican Sister of Sparkill; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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187.	900362/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John of God; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
188.	900363/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Trinity Diocesan High School a/k/a Holy Trinity; and Does 1 - 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
189	900364/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Anne's; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
190	900369/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. James; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	
191.	900374/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish; Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
192.	900377/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Aiden's a/k/a St. Aiden's Church; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
193	900378/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Pius X Parish a/k/a St. Pius X Roman Catholic Church, St. Pius X School, Sisters of Mercy a/k/a St. Francis Convent of the Sisters of Mercy a/k/a The Convent of the Sisters of Mercy in Brooklyn, Sisters of Mercy of the Americas Mid-Atlantic Community, Inc., and Sisters of Mercy of The Americas, Inc.,	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
194.	900380/2021	NAME ON FILE	Infant Jesus Roman Catholic Church; Our Lady of Wisdom Catholic School f/k/a Infant Jesus Grammar School; Daughters of Wisdom, United States Province; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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195	900381/2021	NAME ON FILE	Parish of Saint Martin of Tours; Saint Martin of Tours Roman Catholic Church; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
196	900383/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Mary's College Preparatory High School; St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church; Marist Brothers Province of the United States of America a/k/a Marist Brothers of the Schools, Inc.; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
197.	900384/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Frances Cabrini Roman Catholic Church; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
198.	900386/2021	NAME ON FILE	Parish of St. Thomas More; St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church; and Does 1 - 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04974
199	900387/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Brigid's Parish; St. Brigid's Catholic Church; St. Brigid/Our Lady of Hope Regional School; Sisters of Notre Dame De Namur; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
200	900388/2021	NAME ON FILE	Congregation of the Holy Spirit a/k/a Holy Ghost Fathers of Ireland d/b/a Holy Ghost Fathers of Ireland, Inc.; St. Mary's a/k/a Church of St. Mary; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y	23-cv-04972
201	900389/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Victory Parish Elementary School; and Our Lady of Victory Parish	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04713
202.	900391/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Luke Roman Catholic Church and Does 1 -5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04995

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203.	900394/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church; Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville; and Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05021
204.	900396/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Ladislaus Roman Catholic Church; Congregation of Sisters of St. Felix of Cantalice Third Order Regular of St. Francis of Assisi; and Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
205.	900397/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church; St. Patrick School; Sisters of St. Joseph; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
206	900398/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Therese of Lisieux Church; St. Therese of Lisieux Parish; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-cv-04971
207	900402/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. William The Abbot Roman Catholic Church; St. William The Abbot Parish; St. William The Abbot Roman Catholic School; Ursuline Sisters of Tildonk; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
208.	900403/2021	NAME ON FILE	Holy Trinity High School; Dominican Sister of Sparkill; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
209	950946/2021	NAME ON FILE	Suffolk County Council Inc., Boy Scouts of America; St. Philip Neri Church; and DOES 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	New York	S.D.N.Y.	

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210	951159/2021	NAME ON FILE	Catholic Guardians; Holy Name of Mary Catholic School; City of New York; New York Office of Children and Family Services; John and Jane Does 1-10, whose identities are	New York	S.D.N.Y.	
			presently unknown to Plaintiff, in their official and individual capacities			
211.	951160/2021	NAME ON FILE	Catholic Guardians; Holy Name of Mary Catholic School; City of New York; New York Office of Children and Family Services; John and Jane Does 1-10, whose identities are presently unknown to Plaintiff, in their official and individual capacities	New York	S.D.N.Y.	
212	70043/2021E	NAME ON FILE	The Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, Franciscan Brothers of Brooklyn, Camp Alvernia and Friars of Assumption BVM Province, Inc.	Bronx	S.D.N.Y.	23-cv-05707
213.	400091/2021	NAME ON FILE	HOLY GHOST FATHERS a/k/a CONGREGATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT a/k/a PROVINCE OF THE UNITED STATES d/b/a HOLY GHOST FATHERS OF IRELAND f/k/a CONGREGATION OF THE HOLY GHOST AND OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	Queens	E.D.N.Y.	
214.	900286/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. John of God; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
215	614402/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady Queen of Marytrs Catholic Church	Suffolk	E.D.N.Y.	
216	900142/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	

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217.	900191/2021	NAME ON FILE	Our Lady of Fatima RC Church a/k/a Our Lady of Fatima; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-ev-04875
218	900259/2021	NAME ON FILE	La Salle Military Academy; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
219	900260/2021	NAME ON FILE	La Salle Military Academy; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
220	900261/2021	NAME ON FILE	La Salle Military Academy; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
221	900264/2021	NAME ON FILE	Catholic Big Brothers of Long Island; and Does 1- 5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	
222	900177/2021	NAME ON FILE	St. Pius X Roman Catholic Church; St. John Baptist De La Salle Regional Catholic School; Sr. Suzanne LePre; The Convent of the Sisters of Mercy in Brooklyn; and Sisters of Mercy of the Americas of The Mid-Atlantic Community	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	23-ev-04953
223.	951389/2021	NAME ON FILE	Catholic Health System of Long Island, INC. d/b/a Catholic Health Services of Long Island; Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York; Catholic Home Bureau; and Catholic Guardian Services f/k/a Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau	New York	S.D.N.Y.	23-ev-05518
224.	900189/2021	NAME ON FILE	Christ the King; and Does 1-5 whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff	Nassau	E.D.N.Y.	